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In re Application)	<u>PATENT APPLICATION</u>
Inventors: Taubman et al.)	
Serial No.: 09/531,918)	Art Unit: 2624
Filed: 3-21-2000)	Examiner: Chen W.
Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD OF)	
SNR SCALABLE QUAD-TREE)	
BIT-PLANE CODING)	

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 11-7-03 and the Office Action mailed 3-24-04, applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows.

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